Charter Commissioner: Karen Cote

SAUGUS CHARTER COMMISSION – JULY 10, 2008Step 3 – Develop Possible Solutions

	Your Description (brief narrative so that others will be able to understand what you have in mind)
Executive	The manager will be appointed by the Board of Selectman. They will be responsible of the day to day operation. This person will be able to appoint one member to the boards and commission. This person will be able to hire/fire Department Heads with the approval of the Selectmen.
Legislative	The Board of Selectmen will be elected at large for a three year staggered terms. A separate position of Chairperson will also run at large and will serve on both the School Committee and Board of Selectman and serve for 1 term. This board will appoint all boards and commissions with the manager appointing 1 member. Representative Town Meeting will be at large serving three year staggered terms. They will elect the moderator and have sub-committees.
School Committee	The School Committee will be elected for a three year, staggered term. The elected Chairperson will serve on this board.
Elections	All elected offices will have staggered, three year terms. Elections will be held in the spring.
Finance	The Finance Committee will be appointed by the moderator and the Chairperson. The Finance Committee will serve 3 year staggered terms. This committee will be able to appoint a comptroller.
Budget	The budget will be prepared by the manager with input from the department heads and school. This Budget will be presented to the Board of Selectmen by a certain date. It will then be presented to the Finance

Committee and comptroller before heading to Town meeting for approval. Budget must be adopted by June 30th.